

House Bill 167 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

To amend an Act to create the State Court of Cherokee County, approved April 15, 1996 (Ga. L. 1996, p. 4427), so as to provide an additional judge for such court; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

An Act to create the State Court of Cherokee County, approved April 15, 1996 (Ga. L. 1996, p. 4427), is amended by striking subsection (a) of Section 3 of the Act and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (a) and adding a new subsection (e) to read as follows:

"(a) There shall be three judges of the State Court of Cherokee County who shall be selected as provided in this section. Qualifying and primary elections preceding the general election shall be as required by law."

"(e) There shall be a third judge of the State Court of Cherokee County in addition to the judges provided under subsections (b), (c), and (d) of this section. The third judge of the State Court of Cherokee County shall be appointed by the Governor to an initial term of office continuing through December 31, 2010, and until a successor is elected and qualified. A successor shall be elected on the Tuesday next following the first Monday in November, 2010, and such successor shall take office on the first day of January immediately following such election and shall serve until December 31, 2014, and until a successor is elected and qualified. That and all future successors to such judge shall be elected at the general election immediately preceding the expiration of such judge's term of office and shall serve for a term of office of four years and until a successor is elected and qualified."

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.